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Excitement Brews as School Year Approaches A Comprehensive Look Ahead

By Ashley Handrych, Lakeview Schools Superintendent

As summer wanes and fall approaches, the anticipation for the new school year at Lakeview Local Schools is palpable among students, staff, and the wider community. Sounds of the Lakeview High School Marching Band fill the air in the surrounding neighborhoods as a reminder that a new year is upon us. With a blend of academic vigor, athletic prowess, artistic

creativity, and new faculty additions, the upcoming academic session promises to be one of growth and achievement. **Academics:** At the heart of Lakeview's mission lies its commitment to academic excellence. As students prepare to return to classrooms, the administration created new courses for students as they return to school this year. The elementary students will have a STEM special in their schedule once again. Taught by Mrs. Costarella, the K-4 students will have the opportunity to work in a hands-on capacity in the areas of science, technology, engineering, and



math. Students at Lakeview Middle School will have two formal Career-Tech courses that come with a small amount of state funding to provide materials. Mr. Chronister and Mr. Mild will engage our 7th grade students in Visual Design and Athletic Training through their Career-Tech 7 and Physical Education 7 classes. The high school is adding five new classes this school year to include:

are celebrated as a vital component of a well-rounded education. From visual arts to music, and drama, students have access to a variety of creative outlets that encourage self-expression and innovation. The band left Saturday, July 27th for Band Camp at Hiram College. A packed schedule of practice, performances, and fun awaited dedicated band members. 5 days of preparing for this year's show ensure that our band remains premier. If you cannot make it for Meet the Bulldogs, consider taking in Lakeview Band Night on Monday, August 26th at 7:00 p.m. in the stadium.

New Hires: In addition to its academic and extracurricular offerings, Lakeview welcomes several new staff members who bring a wealth of experience and fresh perspectives to the community. Among them are Eddie Mackiewicz, Lakeview Elementary Principal, Joshua Vastag, Lakeview Middle School Principal. Both Eddie and Josh are graduates of Lakeview, live in the community, and have students in our buildings.

New hires to fill positions open due to retirement or staff that left to other school districts, includes: Mackenzie Frantz LHS Math, Kendall Werschey LHS Intervention Specialist, Morgan Jankovich LHS Science, Sydney Fenstermaker LMS English, and Rebecca Shelton 5-12 Choir.

Community Collaboration: The community of Bazetta and Cortland eagerly anticipates the start of the new school year, viewing it as an opportunity for growth and collaboration. Local businesses have shown their support through sponsorships of athletic events and summer practices, underscoring the symbiotic relationship between the

school and its surrounding community. The District is kicking off its annual Golden Bulldog program for senior citizens age 65 or older. Any senior citizen living in Bazetta or Cortland can get a Golden Bulldog pass that allows free entrance to our athletic and arts programs throughout the school year. Passes are available for pick-up in the Lakeview Board of Education office Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Second grade parent Lauren Roscoe expressed her optimism about the year ahead. "We moved to Cortland because I wanted my daughter to attend Lakeview. We had amazing kindergarten and first grade years. The teachers are wonderful and she made great friends. I am and always will be a big supporter of Lakeview schools so our children can get the best education. We are excited and looking forward to second grade!"

Small School, Big Heart: As summer fades into memory, Lakeview stands poised to embark on a journey of academic achievement, athletic success, artistic expression, and community engagement. With a focus on excellence in all endeavors, the school remains committed to preparing students for future success while fostering a supportive and enriching environment.

With new courses and staff bringing fresh perspectives and initiatives across disciplines, and students eager to excel both in and out of the classroom, the stage is set for another memorable school year at Lakeview Local Schools.

As the first day of classes approaches, excitement and anticipation fill the air, promising a year filled with growth, achievement, and boundless opportunities for all who walk through its doors.

Art for Everyday, Wellness Activities, Industry Fundamentals, Music Theory, and Theatre. The District was able to provide all of these opportunities with our current level of staffing. Eddie Mackiewicz, the newly appointed elementary principal, expressed his enthusiasm for the year ahead, "I am excited to share my passion for learning with a new generation of Lakeview students and to rediscover the magic that made Lakeview so special to me many years ago."

Athletics: On the athletic front, Lakeview is gearing up for another season of spirited competition and sportsmanship. With fall sports such as football, soccer, volleyball, tennis, golf, and cross-country soon to kick off, athletes are already honing their skills under the guidance of experienced coaches.

To celebrate and kick-off back to school season, we invite all community members to join us for a special evening called: Meet the Bulldogs on Thursday, August 15th. Held in Don Richard's Memorial Stadium, come for dinner with a variety of food trucks including-Cortland Lions Club, Mijavecs, TNT, and Curby's Custard. Introductions of our fall sports teams, cheer squads, and marching band will kick-off at 8:00 p.m. Dinner at the trucks will begin serving at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

The Arts: Artistic expression flourishes at Lakeview, where the arts



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Monday, August 19 - 7 p.m.

Tuesday, September 3 - 7 PM

Monday, September 2nd - Labor Day,

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CORTLAND CITY COUNCIL

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Cortland City Council meetings at

www.cityofcortland.org under City

Council Minutes.

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Second Monday of each month

Monday, August 12 - 5:30 p.m.

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Second Monday of each month

Monday, August 12 - 7 p.m.

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Regular meetings the second Tuesday of each month, unless otherwise noted.

August 13 - 7 p.m.

A 60 minute caucus with department heads preceding.

Meetings held via ZOOM. Visit www.bazettatwp.org

LAKEVIEW BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS

Regular meetings the second Monday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Lakeview High School Media Center, unless otherwise noted.

August 12 - 6 p.m.

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Our theme will be

Labor Day

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Email articles to editor@cortlandnews.net

The mission of the Cortland News is to focus on the positive aspects and events of our community. Our goal is to inspire pride and bring the residents of our community closer to one another by providing accurate, timely and useful information. We hold ourselves to high standards of journalism and strive to be a source of trust for our readers.

Based on the policy of the Cortland News to print positive news about our community, we reserve the right to reject contributed material considered inappropriate. We reserve the right to edit information accepted for publication for accuracy, style, length, spelling, grammar, and clarity.

The Cortland News wishes to present a fair and accurate news report. If you have a concern about anything published, please call our office at 330-565-2637 and leave a message for our Manager or Editor.

Death notices and obituaries will be printed in the Cortland News at the request of the family. Arrangement should be made to have information for death notices and obituaries sent directly to the Cortland News from the funeral home. Space restraints may require some editing. Publication dates for the Cortland News may prohibit an obituary from appearing prior to a funeral or memorial service.

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Community Events

Cortland City/Bazetta Township and Lakeview School Board meetings and schedules. See pg. 2 & 15

Lakeview Local School activities and sports schedules visit www.lakeviewlocal.org.

American Red Cross blood donations, various dates. www.redcrossblood.org or 1-800-733-2767.

Cortland Public Library - Check out the ongoing events on page 18
<https://wtcpl.org/locations-hours/cortland-library/>

Cortland Senior Center - Open Monday thru Friday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Cortland Christian Church.

Charity Benefit Pancake Breakfast, [1st Saturday] 9 a.m.-noon, Cortland Masonic Lodge, 3263 Everett-Hull Road (E. Main Street).

Church Events - See the Church News and Notes on the Faith pages.

Trumbull County Combined Health District has numerous free upcoming Vaccine Clinics. See their website or the article in this issue.

AUGUST

- 10 **Blood Drive** / Bazetta Christian Church / 9 AM - 2 PM
4131 Hoagland Blackstub Rd. All presenting donors will receive a \$20 Amazon eGift Card
- 13 & 14 **JoMarie's Registration for 2024-2025 Year** / 5:30-7:30 PM
- 14 **Farmers Markets** / Lake Vista / 10 AM - 1 PM
- 14 **Mosquito Fogging** / in Cortland City / 7 PM - Midnight
- 14 **Blood Drive** / Cortland Methodist Church / 12 - 5 PM
- 15 **Meet the Bulldogs** / Dinner at 7 PM with local Food truck.
Introduce the team, sheer squad and band at 8 PM
- 16 **Girl Scout Night** / at the Scrappers
- 17 **Blood Drive** / Masonic Lodge / 9 AM - 2 PM
- 18 **Bristol Public Library presents the band, Take II** / 4 PM
- 22 **Food Truck Night** / W Main St / 5-8 PM
- 26 **Lakeview Band Night** / in the stadium / 7 PM
- 26 **Women's Equality Day Celebration** / Women's Park
Mahoning Ave Warren / 11:30 AM
- 26 **Brush Pick Up this week.** Must be at the curb by Sunday night!
- 28 **Mosquito Fogging** / in Cortland City / 7 PM - Midnight

SEPTEMBER

- 7 **Mark Thomas Ford 2nd Annual Bronco and Classic Fords Car Show!**
11AM - 3 PM
- 9 **Garden Myths Presentation** by Vranda Thomas from the Master Gardners / Ohio Living Lake Vista Club House / 11 am

Lake Vista Continues Summer Concerts

Lake Vista released their summer concerts schedule for 2024. All Concerts are at 6:30 pm under Park Place Portico (weather permitting). All the concerts are open to the community and walk-ins are welcome.

Lake Vista is located at 303 N. Mecca St in Cortland. For additional information please call Denise at 330-638-2420.

- September 12 - Girard Dixie Dandies
- September 24 - One String Short

Business News and Notes

By Thom Foley

Girts Music 101 is having their annual Back to school sale. It is the biggest sale of the year. ZERO Percent - Yes, 0% - on band instruments. A great rent to own program. Call for details or go to music101ohio.com or their facebook page.

Bazetta Christian Daycare has a few openings left for the 2024-2025 school year. Better hurry - they fill up fast.

Cortland Lanes is registering for the new bowling year. See their ad for all the leagues and registration times. Don't have a team, don't worry, they can find one for you.

JoMarie's school of Dance and Gymnastics is holding registration for

2024-2025 year On August 13 & 14 from 5:30 pm-7:30 pm

Campbells Carpet and Flooring has a large selection of not just carpet but all styles of high quality Luxury Vinyl Plank. I can't wait until I get my office cleaned so I can install the LVP.

Cortland Mower and Sales just sold me a new DeWalt Battery 12" chain saw. This makes 4 of their battery power tools I know own. High quality, easy to operate and priced right.

Cortland Playroom tells us that they have only a few openings left in some of their many sections. Qualified and experienced teachers for over 35 years, raising yet another generation of our children.

Ohio Living Activities

There is always something interesting going on at Ohio Living Lake Vista.

On Aug. 14th there is a Farmers Markets from 10 am - 1 pm. Pick Me Up Coffee Company will be there with Specialty drinks and coffees. Mingucio Italian Pretzels LLC. Homemade pies and baked goods as well as the seasonal produce from Sleepy Hollow Farms.

On September 9 starting at 11 am at the Ohio Living Lake Vista Club House there will be a "Garden Myths" Presentation by Vranda Thomas from the Master Gardeners. All events are free and open to the public.



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The stylish and sporty EV is hitting the sweet spot of the EV market and boasts a 296-mile EPA range rating! The Prologue was built on a state-of-the-art electric vehicle platform with multi-link front and rear suspensions optimized by Honda engineers. The Prologue Elite features standard all-wheel drive (also available on EX and Touring) which adds an additional motor in the rear. This dual motor arrangement generates 288 hp and 333 lb.-ft. of torque, delivering responsive and quick acceleration. All Prologues feature a comprehensive suite of Honda Sensing safety and driver-assistive technologies.

Additional key standard features include: 19-inch aluminum alloy wheels, Google built-in, Wireless Apple CarPlay and Android Auto compatibility, Wireless phone charger (Qi), 10-way power driver seat with adjustable lumbar support, Heated front seats and so much more!

Upon the purchase or lease of a new Honda Prologue, customers can select one of three charging packages included in the purchase price. Honda offers a combination of public charging credits, charging equipment and installation credit to fit each buyer's lifestyle and preference.

The 2024 Honda Prologues are on the ground at both Apostolakis Honda in Cortland and Shenango Honda in Hermitage.



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Joe & Becky Liguori,
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What's "news" in the City of Cortland

Just the Facts - What was the entry level wage when all of our current full-time police officers started as an officer with the Cortland Police Department?

1. \$10.00 per hour
2. \$25.00 per hour
3. Volunteer - Free
4. \$15.00 per hour

Find the answer at the bottom of this article.

Door-to-Door Soliciting - Residential soliciting by businesses is allowed in Cortland; however, each person soliciting for the company is required to get a permit. The solicitors are required to carry the permit with them at all times. If you are unsure about someone, ask to see their permit. Soliciting is not allowed on Sundays and holidays or between the hours of 7 p.m. and 10 a.m. during daylight savings time.

Certain groups, which include newspapers and religious, charitable or political organizations are not required to obtain a permit.

The city maintains a "DoNotSolicit" list which is given to each solicitor at the time they obtain their permit. This will not stop you from being contacted by neighborhood children selling things but will keep commercial solicitors from knocking on your door. If you would like to be added to this list, please send an email to admin@cityofcortland.org or call 330-637-3011.

If you have any questions about solicitors, you may call City Hall or contact the Police Department. You can find the complete ordinance regarding solicitors on our city website in Chapter 731 of our codified ordinances.

Property Maintenance - Please be sure to maintain the exterior of your home and property. Keep the yard cut/maintained and free of debris and keep the structure itself in good repair. The City Ordinance states that all structures within the city shall be maintained in a safe, clean and sanitary condition. During the summer months, calls of complaint increase dramatically. As a property owner, this is your responsibility.

Recycling Bin - Are the Amazon boxes stacking up at your house? There is a cardboard only recycling bin located at Willow Park. Please break down the empty boxes before putting them into the bin.

Mosquito Fogging - Outdoor activities are more enjoyable because of the mosquito control that is occurring throughout the city. Those buggers love me, and the feeling is not mutual! The next scheduled fogging is August 14th and then August 28th between 7:00 and midnight. The correct weather conditions must be present for it to be effective. It cannot be raining, the temperature must be above 50 degrees, and the winds need to be between 5 to 10 miles per hour. If proper conditions are not present, it will be cancelled and rescheduled for the following evening. The complete schedule can be found on our website.

Brush Pick Up - As always, the city's Curbside Brush Chipping is the 4th Monday of the month April through October. The next pick up is the week of August 26th. Remember to follow the rules and regulations that can be viewed on our website, cityofcortland.org. Only one pass per street, they will not revisit an address after passing it once.

Identify Water Pipes - Please disregard if you have already provided us with the needed information. The EPA is requiring all Public Water Systems to identify all service lines by October. This is mandatory.

This includes the water line that is coming into your home or business (between the meter and the wall) and the water lines throughout your home or business. These are sometimes the same and sometimes different. The City of Cortland is asking for your help in identifying these lines.

If you are not comfortable identifying this information for us, we would be more than happy to help. Just call 330-637-3011 and Christine will be happy to make an appointment to have someone from the Service Department stop out and identify the lines for you.

We greatly appreciate your help with this requirement. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Kim Blasco, Service Director, 330-637-4637.

Food Truck Night - The next Food Truck Night is scheduled for Wednesday, August 22nd from 5 - 8pm on W. Main St.

Splash Pad - The Pearl Park Splash Pad is open from 11:00 to 7:00 daily. We do not take reservations for the

pavilions at our public parks, these are free to share.

City of Cortland 1st Annual Maker's Market - A combination of a farmer's market and craft show will be taking place on Saturday, September 7th from 10 am - 3pm on West Main St. If you would like to be a vendor at the event, there is a \$25 fee for each 10' (approximately) spot. A vendor's application can be picked up at city hall and/or printed from our website, cityofcortland.org. You must bring your own table, chairs and tent and electricity is not available. For an application call city hall at 330-637-3916 or go online at <https://cityofcortland.org/wp-content/uploads/Makers-Market-Vendor-App-Sept-2024.pdf>

Dates to Remember
 Aug. 12 - Parks - 5:30 p.m.
 Aug. 12 - Planning & Zoning - 7 p.m.
 Aug. 19 - City Council meeting - 7 p.m.
 Sept. 2 - Labor Day - City Administration Offices closed for the holiday
 Sept. 3 - City Council meeting - 7 p.m.

Answer - The answer is 3.) Volunteer - Free. All our current full-time officers started their police careers with the Cortland Police Department as volunteer reserve officers. These officers donated hundreds of hours to the department to train and work before moving up to part or full time. They also had to purchase their own firearms, bulletproof vests and other police equipment. Due to changes in Ohio law and the difficulties in finding officers willing to be a reserve officer, the program was discontinued in 2016. The reserve program saved the taxpayers thousands of dollars in wages and equipment. We have only asked for one additional levy since 2016, which means the bulk of our budget/levies were designed, in part, to sustain our department using officers willing to train and equip themselves for free. With upgrades in technology and equipment, it costs approximately \$7,000.00 to outfit an officer with duty gear, a firearm, taser, bulletproof vest, MARCS radio and body worn camera. Our budget can no longer operate on levies passed years ago when expenses have skyrocketed and revenue has not.

Trumbull County Metroparks Hunting Policy

The Trumbull County Metroparks approved new hunting policies June 27. They are as follows:

- Seasonal hunting is permitted in designated parks only.
- Hunting is allowed in only Properties Designated by the Board of Park Commissioners.
- All hunters must follow TCMP regulations as well as all regulations and seasons as designated by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and/or state and federal statutes.
- HUNTING PARKS: These parks permit hunting for deer (bow, gun or both depending on location),
 - West Branch Wetlands Nature Preserve
 - Eagle Creek Nature Preserve
 - Lockwood Hunting Preserve
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 - Guns are restricted to legal hunting weapons.
 - Violators will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Welcome Bags

Dear Cortland Business Owner and/or Organization,

For several years, the city of Cortland has personally delivered "Cortland Welcome Bags" to new residents moving into the city. The bags include a welcome letter from the mayor, a list of important phone numbers, a map of the city, as well as small donations from local businesses and organizations.

Gifts such as pens, pencils, magnets, notepads, coupons, key rings, tea bags, letter openers, lip balm, koozies, recipe books, jar grippers, and gifts cards are just a few examples from last year's welcome bags. Each year, the bags feature unique donations highlighting Cortland's wonderful businesses and organizations. The city wishes to continue this tradition with your support.

If you have been one of the many businesses contributing to the "Cortland Welcome Bags," thank you for your support. If not, please consider participating. It is a great and creative way to advertise your business and welcome new residents moving into the city.

If you are interested in participating in the program this year, please drop off 100 items at City Hall, 400 North High St, no later than Thursday, August 22, 2024. If you have any questions, please call Rhonda at (330) 638-0142 or email rhorn@cityofcortland.org. Thank you in advance for your support. Cortland City Council



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For more information, please contact Joe or Becky Liguori Owners Integrated Wellness Center 234-430-2573 contact@visitiwc.com www.visitiwc.com

The Cortland News: A Cornerstone of Our Community

The Cortland News is more than just a newspaper; it's a vital thread woven into the fabric of our community. For almost 20 years, it has served as a reliable source of information, a platform for local voices, and a catalyst for community engagement.

In an era of rapid information dissemination, the Cortland News stands as a steadfast guardian of local "good news". We provide comprehensive coverage of events, issues, and people that directly impact our residents. From town council meetings to school board decisions, we keep you informed about the matters that shape our community. Our commitment to the "good news" journalism ensures that the public is aware of important stories that might otherwise go unnoticed.

The Cortland News is a powerful tool for fostering community connections. Our pages are filled with stories that celebrate the achievements of our residents, highlight local businesses, and showcase the vibrant spirit of our town. Through features like the community calendar, and informative columns on finance, investing, insurance, school and churches

we help residents stay connected and engaged with their neighbors.

A thriving local economy depends on a strong network of businesses. The Cortland News plays a crucial role in supporting our local businesses by providing them with a platform to reach their target audience. Our advertising opportunities help businesses grow and create jobs, contributing to the overall economic health of our community.

Newspapers are invaluable historical documents. The Cortland News serves as a living archive of our community's past, capturing the essence of our town through the years. By preserving these records, we ensure that future generations can learn about the people, events, and challenges that shaped our community.

The Cortland News is more than just a publication; it is a reflection of our community's values and aspirations. We are committed to serving our readers with integrity, accuracy, and a deep-rooted passion for the town we call home.

Best regards,

James E Woofter

Publisher, Cortland News

A Bright Start: United Way Of Trumbull County Gears Up for Back-to-School Season

As summer draws to a close, the excitement of a new school year begins to fill the air. At United Way of Trumbull County, we understand that back-to-school season is a critical time for students, parents, and educators alike. It's a period of renewed possibilities and fresh starts, where children have the chance to embark on new academic journeys, set goals, and unlock their full potential.

Our mission is to ensure that every child in our community has the resources they need to succeed from day one. By providing school supplies, educational programs, and support services we aim to eliminate barriers to learning and foster an environment where all students can thrive. We believe that a strong start to the school year

sets the tone for future success. That's why United Way of Trumbull County is committed to mobilizing community resources to support our youth.

Through partnerships with local businesses, volunteers, and donors we organize events that equip students with essential tools like backpacks, notebooks, and other classroom necessities. Beyond supplies, we also focus on addressing broader needs such as access to nutritious meals, mental health support, and extracurricular activities. By working together, we can create a supportive and enriching educational experience that empowers every student to achieve their dreams. Join us in making this school year the best one yet for the children of Trumbull County.

USDA Is Conducting Vaccine Drops

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Wildlife Services, in cooperation with the Ohio Department of Health and several local county health departments in Ohio, has begun distributing oral rabies vaccine (ORV) baits for wildlife in parts of eastern Ohio and surrounding states. ORV baits have been distributed in Ohio through aerial drops and by hand since 1997 in partnership with state and local public health agencies and others as part of the USDA National Rabies Management Program. This effort seeks to prevent the westward movement of the rabies virus most often spread by raccoons by creating a barrier along the Appalachian Mountains from the Canadian border to Alabama.

ORV baits will be distributed using fixed-wing airplanes and helicopters, or from vehicles on the ground. The project based out of North Lima, OH, will take place from July 29 through most of

August. Baits will also be dispersed by helicopter in urban and suburban areas of eastern Ohio during the second week of August, including Ashtabula, Belle Vista, Boardman, Canfield, Conneaut, Cortland, Geneva, Girard, Lordstown, Salem, Warren and Youngstown. From approximately August 17-22, baits will be distributed by fixed-wing airplanes in rural areas of eastern Ohio and western Pennsylvania, including large portions of Ashtabula, Belmont, Carroll, Columbiana, Geauga, Harrison, Jefferson, Lake, Mahoning, Portage, and Trumbull counties. Approximately 350,000 baits will be distributed in Ohio alone.

The vaccine distribution campaign in Ohio will use an ORV bait called ONRAB. The vaccine, which is contained in a blister pack, is covered in a waxy green coating that has a sugar-vanilla smell. The odor attracts targeted wild animals, such as raccoons, who eat the baits and are then vaccinated

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Trumbull County Metroparks Planning Grant Kick-Off

On July 10 Representatives from Trumbull County MetroParks, Eastgate Council of Governments, Kent State Trumbull, Trumbull Career and Technical Center, Trumbull County Board of Developmental Disabilities, Champion Township and Trumbull County Engineer's Offices came together to Kick-Off the PY25 Planning Grant for the Educational Corridor. The project is focused on providing a multi-purpose path located on Educational Highway NW and Research Parkway NW between Mahoning Avenue NW and Champion Avenue East in Warren.

The project will connect pedestrian and cyclists from SR45 to North River Road and the existing Western Reserve Greenway Bike Trail, while providing

connectivity between Kent State Trumbull, Trumbull County Technical Center, Fairhaven Industries and the future Mercy Health facility as well as other businesses within the site. The grant is funded by a Planning Grant from the Eastgate Council of Governments in the amount of \$10,800 and \$1,200 is coming from local sources for a total cost of \$12,000.

For more information please call Zachary Svette, Executive Director at 330-675-3072. The mission of the Trumbull County MetroParks is to conserve, manage, protect and promote Trumbull County's natural resources for the benefit of the public's recreational needs, environmental education, awareness, health and enjoyment.



Front: Zachary Svette, Executive Director, Trumbull County MetroParks, Tricia D'Avignon, Eastgate Council of Governments, Back: Gary Shaffer, Trumbull County Engineer, Bill Ayres, Dean, Kent Trumbull, Rex Fee, Champion Township Trustee, Jason Gray, Superintendent, TCTC, Edward Stark, Trumbull County Board of DD. Other Partners not in picture are Healthy Community Partnership, Fairhaven Industries and Mercy Health.

YARS Celebrates Arrival Of First New C-130J

By Louann Andres

On Tuesday, July 16, U.S. Senator Sherrod Brown (D-OH) along with various press, city officials, and military families welcomed the first of eight new C-130J Super Hercules Aircraft at the Youngstown Air Reserve Station (YARS). This is the result of 10 years of Senator Brown working across party lines and with military officials to receive a big win for YARS.

The 8 C130J Super Hercules will replace 6 C130J's. Guests were treated to a flyover, a landing, then an inside tour of the plane, along with a meet and greet for the crew members and pilot.

The reason Senator Brown fought so hard for YARS to secure this contract is that it will not only bring added income to the second largest employer in the area and will also secure the future of the air force base. Also included in the package is an additional \$6.1 million dollars for revamping runways and another \$2.5 million for planning and design of a new fire station. Firefighters not only are responsible for fire safety on the base, but they also respond to emergencies in neighboring Mahoning Valley communities.

While the planes look very similar, the new Hercules model has the only Department of Defense's large area fixed-wing aerial spray capability to control disease-carrying insects, pest insects, undesirable vegetation and to disperse oil spills in large bodies of water. Missions may be executed in combat areas, on Department of Defense installations, or in response to disasters or emergencies as declared by the President of the United States. The C130's are also used for training (take offs and touch downs at YARS and other places around the country.



The 910th Airlift Wing also stands ready to support any tactical missions required by the Air Force. The C-130Js will primarily be used to perform the tactical portion of the airlift mission and can operate from rough dirt strips. They are the prime transport for airdropping troops and equipment into hostile areas. The new planes are easily reconfigured to perform many operations from transport to airdropping supplies or evacuating personnel as needed.

Cortland Mayor Dee Dee Petrosky along with Council members Don Moore, Kevin Piros, Jim Bradley, John Picuri and projects coordinator Jeffrey Jiang attended. Picuri said "I was proud to attend the arrival of the first C-130J Super Hercules as a member of Cortland City Council and as a member of the Youngstown Air Reserve Base Community Council. 910th Airlift Wing and Youngstown Air Reserve Station Commander, Col. Mike Maloney mentioned that YARS isn't just in the community, it's part of the community. I couldn't have said it better myself as many of our family, friends and neighbors are all going to be part of this new era for the 910th."



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Back To School Fears

Oh the dreaded thought of some students as they hear 'Back to School'. The common stress that is associated with school is usually based on a fear.

- Fear of failure
- Fear of not fitting in
- Fear of being alone
- Fear of the unknown future

All these are a legit concern. When these fears are not properly addressed they can create a sense of hopelessness in the min of the individual.

One of things that needs to be kept in mind during a time of uncertainty is that your life has a purpose. If it has a purpose, it is also ordained. Ordained by a Creator. I must learn to trust in the Sovereign God that can direct my life. Psalm 37:23-24 "The steps of a man are established by the Lord, and he delights in His way. When he falls, he will not be hurled headlong, because the Lord is the One who holds his hand. There's a

truth that is in this verse that you need to hold onto.

God can sustain you through them all. Everything you face in life

- 1 Doesn't have to be alone
- 2 God can bring some kind of good out of it that will amaze you and glory to Him as well.

He is the 'One who holds your hand'. If you're His child then you will understand that your resiliency is simply the result of His Faithfulness. The next time you have something that brings up a sense of dread such as 'Back to School' or thoughts of anything else that causes fear, change your perspective because what you face can make an impact on someone else's life as you share how God has helped you through and overcome these areas. Don't be concerned over the unknown... God is already in your tomorrow waiting to help you get through it.

Church News & Notes

Cortland United Methodist Church

God Provides A Meal, Saturday, August 17, 11:00 am- 1:00 pm, Menu: Ham Salad Sandwich, Macaroni Salad, Fruit Cup, Dessert, and Beverage. Donations accepted but not required.

Wildare Church

Youth meet every Sunday @ 12:30 (ages 10-14) & 2:30 (ages 15-18). Join us on Sundays for fun and fellowship! Wildare Church Family Board Game Night Friday, August 16 @ 6:00 p.m. Games for all ages. 7211 North Park Ave., Cortland, (corner of North Park and Bristol-Champion Townline Rd)

Trinity Lutheran Church

Bible Studies: Our congregation invites you to join us as we dive into God's Word in our Bible Studies on Sundays at 9 am. We are going through the book of Genesis.

Wednesdays at 5:30 pm. we are going through the Book of James, and we are looking forward to Romans next. We look to exploring the Bible together.

Katharina's Closet: Thank you to all who have donated to help improve our communities by helping women and young families. We are looking forward to being able to begin distribution soon to those in need.

Donation drop off day is the first Monday of every month from 4:30 pm-6:30 pm. If you are unable to drop off donations during that time or have other questions please call Pastor Wacker at 330-647-6402. Please do not leave donations on the narthex porch or by the parking lot entrance. We will have to dispose of such donations. Thank you for serving with us.



Trumbull County Tourism Bureau

By Beth Kotwis

Samantha Ensminger, marketing manager at Trumbull County Tourism, has completed the Professional in Destination Management (PDM) Certification, enhancing her destination marketing, management, and sales expertise. The PDM program offered by Destinations International, the professional association for destination marketing and management, offers cutting-edge education and critical skills for professionals entering and seeking to deepen their understanding of the travel industry.

This comprehensive curriculum, developed by industry experts, covers destination marketing and management functions. It emphasizes their vital role in community development, brand management, destination stewardship, investment, and effective promotion and sales programs –all pivotal components driving the success of organizations like Trumbull Tourism.

Destination promotion is a catalyst that serves as a bridge that connects people to places, allowing them to explore, celebrate, and appreciate the uniqueness of each community. Our purpose is to attract and cultivate an environment in which a community thrives as an ideal place to visit, invest, live, work, and play. Participants develop the necessary expertise to excel in the competitive travel and marketing industry.

This accomplishment underscores Samantha's dedication and expertise, establishing her as a trusted professional in the travel and marketing industry. Her achievement further solidifies Trumbull County Tourism's position as a leader in destination management, highlighting its unwavering commitment to excellence and the betterment of the county.

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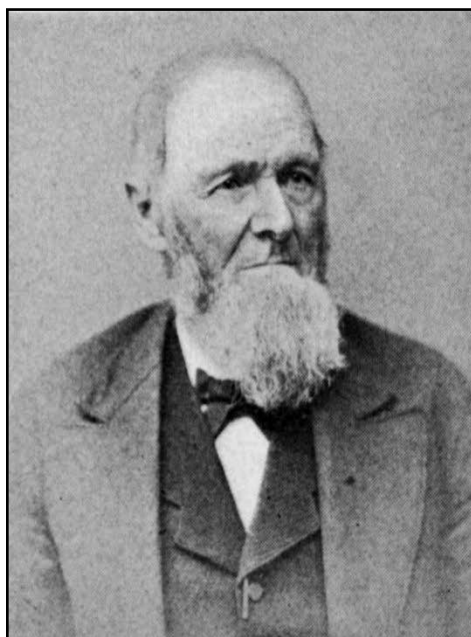
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Early Life In Bazetta Township

By Curt Moll, Cortland Bazetta historical Society

In 1804 and 1805, the first settlers moved to Bazetta from Hubbard, cutting their way through the forest and establishing farms in the Eastern parts of Bazetta just south of the present city of Cortland. These included names like Scofield, Budd, Cowdery, Kennedy, Oatley, Hulse and others. In 1811, William Davis, his wife and 3 Children came from Armstrong County, Pennsylvania. They settled on a farm in the northeastern part of Bazetta township north of the current Cortland city limits.

One of the Davis children was 2-year-old Aaron, and we are fortunate that in December of 1875 at the age of 64, he wrote an account of early life in the township. Much of what we



know about this period comes from his writings. The rest of this article relies heavily on his account.

During the early fighting of the war of 1812 settlers capable of bearing arms from Bazetta, together with others from neighboring townships, were called upon to defend their country. This absence very much retarded the growth of the settlement for several years. William Davis went as far as Cleveland and was allowed to return and care for the families left behind. After a few skirmishes with the Indians at Sandusky, they all returned safe except one who was wounded, but recovered.

"The time of the year they were called out was oat harvest. The wives of those who had gone took their little families into the field. They set the older children to take care of the infants, while they, with rake and pitchfork in hand, secured the harvest. Upon the return of their husbands, it was found they had taken care of the family and the farm with the sound judgment which prevailed among the women of earlier days."

"At this time a major part of the township was almost an unbroken wilderness, with here and there a log-hut. Some of them without door, window, or floor, and those who had floors laid them of what were then called puncheons, made of split logs, one side hewed. For doors some used a quilt or blanket until they were able to obtain better, and for windows greased paper was used instead of glass. The windows were made by cutting a piece out of a log, putting sticks across the opening, and pasting the paper on with paste

made of flour and water. Some lived in this way for a time, while others of more ability and enterprise lived more comfortably."

"The inhabitants were forced to keep a few sheep to get wool for their clothing. It was the business of the boys to guard the sheep (from wolves) every night, and it was very seldom they forgot or neglected to secure them. The women carded the wool by hand, spun, wove, and made their wearing apparel. In every house might be found a spinning-wheel, in many a loom and a weaver."

The first schoolhouse was built in the valley of Walnut Creek, along what is now State Route 46. "It was a small log

structure, with one log cut out for light; the opening was covered with greased paper. Desks for writing were made by boring holes in a log in the wall, driving in pins, and tying on boards."

"Bazetta township did not settle as rapidly as some of the neighboring townships because the land was owned and held by speculators. Most of the early settlers bought their farms on credit, cleared them, and paid for them from the products they produced. They deserve great credit for their heroism, frugality, and self-denial."

For Aaron Davis's complete writings and other stories of Bazetta and Cortland, visit www.cortlandohiohistory.org.

Off To College - Cait Style

By Cait Morgan

As we age, we seem to fuzz up the details of some of the things in our past. For instance, I don't remember my first day of school as a young child. But I absolutely remember packing up and heading of to southern Ohio for my first day of college. What a rush! Freedom finally!

My mother and uncle drove me down. The car was packed to the brim. Of course, we had to take the scenic route which took what seemed like days. And we had to stop for lunch. Really? They couldn't eat after they dropped me off? But they had no intention of "dropping me off". Oh no. They wanted to set up a base camp.

My room was on the third floor of my dorm. There was no elevator. Once we got everything up there, they had to 'rest'. There is no 'rest' on move in day at a college dorm! But rest they did. This was standard 1970s dorm room: block walls, one window and no room to move. Thankfully I was able to convince them to finish resting in the lobby with a promise that I would come down if they called when they were heading home.

Two hours later, everything was stowed away wherever it would fit, and it was time for dinner. As the food

service wasn't open, my room mate and I decided to head into town. It struck me that there had been no phone call. Upon entering the lobby, it was obvious why - they were still there. My room mate immediately bailed on me. I can't say I blame her.

We found the one restaurant that was "parent style" in town and had the longest dinner of my life. I could see through the window all the other students meeting up, making friends and roaming in and out of the various establishments of under-the-bottom-shelf spirits. Lots of loud music, kids dancing, PARTY TIME! The college life had started. Well, for them at least. My idea of staying there while they got on the road wasn't acceptable, so the three of us went back to the dorm. And then to my room in an otherwise empty dorm building since everyone was in town. I finally convinced them to leave and just laid down.

I left the door open for my room mate who showed up within the hour. I was totally unprepared for her first words, however: "Do you know you family is sitting in the car across from the dorm?"

Nope, no way I can forget that day. Ever.

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From the Desk of the Retired Superintendent

By Velina J. Taylor

In the first week of June, the Lakeview Travel Club took a group of eleven travelers to Costa Rica for an educational trip. Hosted by EF (Education First), the nine-day adventure tour included nature hikes, volcano exploration, night walks, guided tours, whitewater rafting, kayaking, zip lining, and snorkeling. The group saw exotic animals in their natural habitat and was treated each day to authentic Costa Rican cuisine, including a very special traditional Christmas meal served at the private home of a resident of the country and his family.

For me, this trip was surprisingly symbolic of my career in the field of education. Much of the time was hard work was required and more than once, things were quite difficult. There were even things I had to do, but really didn't want to. Still, there were things to learn every minute and reasons to be amazed by things and people around me. The parallels between our busy and active trip and my career are fascinating.

When our trip ended and we took to the skies to fly home, there was a definite bittersweet sense, much like what I have felt these last few months as Lakeview's Superintendent. Our travel group had truly enjoyed the trip but going home also sounded great to our tired travelers. The same goes for this superintendent. It's been a 39-year adventure in education with the best part of the trip saved for last. My years with Lakeview Schools haven't always been easy, but I've met wonderful, kind, generous people and learned a lot along the way. For that and so much more, I am deeply grateful.

This is one weary traveler who loved every bit of the trip—even the tough parts, but it's time to go home.

Be well Cortland/Bazetta and Lakeview Schools, or as they say in Costa Rica, Pura Vida.



From High School Lanes To Collegiate Dreams

By Sophia Sutton

As far as high school sports go, bowling often flies under the radar compared to other primary sports. Bowling does not draw a crowd like Friday night football games and there are no hit movies about bowling successes like football or baseball. Not many people have a dream about growing up to be a famous bowler like they might have about their favorite soccer, basketball, or hockey star. However, beyond bowling's recreational appeal this sport is truly underrated.

Bowling has a wonderful balance of teamwork and individual personal growth. It is competitive but not as physically demanding as other sports. Bowling allows for lots of social interaction while avoiding bad weather. All these favorable aspects have been taken advantage of by one budding bowler who rolled down the lanes to take a pathway to new opportunities. Cooper Schiavone, a recent Lakeview graduate, is continuing his bowling career at Kent State University.

Cooper began bowling in first grade when his parents signed him up for the kids league at Cortland Lanes. His parents thought that bowling would be a great way to keep him busy in the winters; little did the Schiavones know that this would be the start of a great passion for Cooper.

Schiavone continued his bowling journey throughout middle school and into high school participating in many leagues and tournaments. Cooper shared that like most sports, bowling takes time to become good and the more time you put into the sport the more you will get out of it. And that is just what he did. During high school, Cooper spent much of his time at Cortland Lanes from late October to late March. Whether he was working or bowling, Cooper shared that the alley always had a friendly atmosphere, which fueled his enthusiasm towards the sport. While bowling with the Lakeview bowling team, they made it to the state level and secured a 5th place finish. Additionally, Cooper ended his Lakeview career earning the title of an All-Conference

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Tiny Colorful Bears Pop-Up All Over Cortland

By Christine Piros

Over the last couple of weeks, tiny, colorful bears have been popping up throughout the City of Cortland, leaving residents "paws-ively" enchanted. The one-inch invaders are mysteriously turning everyday locations into whimsical settings as passersby spot them in red, blue, green, yellow, lilac and orange. From grocery storefronts and restaurant window sills to various signs at bookstores and parks, these adorable figures are creating a delightful buzz among our community.

The bear sightings are being encouraged by accompanying Facebook posts on "Everything Cortland," which reveal photos of the wee bears here and there, yet not totally disclosing their exact locations. While the colorful bears are prominently displayed in these pictures, much of their surroundings are left to the imagination, so the viewer has to figure out their "bear-abouts."

Searching for the tiny bears is quickly becoming a habit, as residents are starting to look at bit closer at

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Eddie Mackiewicz,
Lakeview Elementary Principal



Joshua Vastag,
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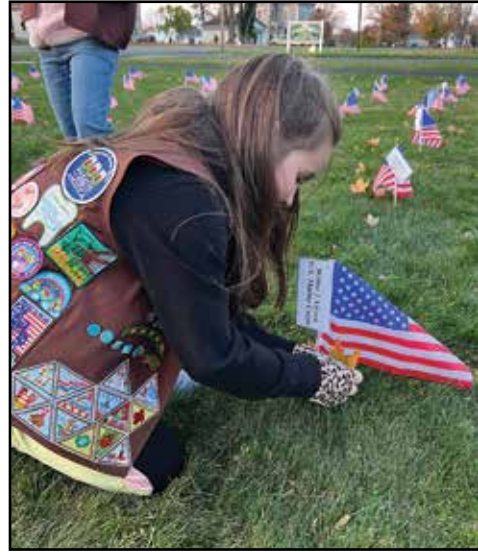
School may be starting back up but friends and family of Jay & Alexis McDonough of Cortland decided to have a Field Day in July. Over 50 people had a picnic with several inflatables and even a dunking machine. There was more than enough great food from the grill too. Now this is a 'Back to School Party' that everyone would love.

Girl Scouts Honoring Veterans

By Sarah Gyure

Once again this year Cortland Girl Scout Troop 80161 will be placing flags for Veterans Day with name cards and branches. We would like to honor as many local Veterans as possible in the display.

If you would like your Veterans' name to be attached to one of 200 flags please remit the Veterans name & branch of service to gsneotroop80161@gmail.com by 10/10/24. The flags will be on display Nov 7 to 12 at 224 N



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Meet The Bull Dogs And Band Night

Nothing says BACK TO SCHOOL like football and the band. Lakeview is hosting two events so we can support our students.

On August 26 it is the annual Lakeview Band Night at 7:00 p.m. at Don Richard's Memorial Stadium. Come hear the Best Band in Trumbull County!!

August 15 is Meet The Bull Dogs Night also at the stadium. Come for dinner with a variety of food trucks including Cortland Lions Club, Mijavecs, TNT and Curby's Custard. Introductions of our fall sports teams, cheer squads and marching band will kick-off at 8:00 p.m.. Dinner at the trucks will begin serving at 7:00 p.m.

From High School Lanes

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athlete three out of his four years with the Bulldogs.

From a Bulldog to a Flash, Schiavone aims to make the most of this opportunity. He is excited to strike up new connections with his Kent State teammates. He also is looking forward to the traveling aspect of the collegiate level. Cooper anticipates a challenging bowling season ahead of him and he hopes that his hard work will continue to pay off.

If parents are looking for an activity for their child, a great place to consider would be the Cortland Lanes kids league. Their website shows that this league starts in September and runs for ten weeks. For more details contact the Lanes at (330) 637-2961.

Special Education Teacher Mini Grant Program Announced

By Robin Suzelis, Director Autism Society of Mahoning Valley

The Autism Society of Mahoning Valley is pleased to announce its call for applications for its 8th Annual Autism Teacher Mini Grant Program. Awards will be given in three denominations, \$500, \$250 and \$100 to applicants from public and private schools in Mahoning, Trumbull or Columbiana counties. Online applications are being accepted at their website, AutismMV.org/events through August 18, 2024.

Underwritten by the Goulish-Kosco Insurance Agency, ASMV holds this annual program to show appreciation and support for the great teachers in the Valley who help children on the autism spectrum and other special needs. The ASMV Board, a group consisting of community members and parents, will

review the applications and select the winners in late August. Learn by calling ASMV Director Robin Suzelis at 330-333-9609.

Shown is 2023 Second Place Grant Winner Sarah Devon of Lacroft Elementary School in East Liverpool. She won a \$250 grant that she used toward adding a communication board to the school playground.



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By Guidelight Financial Group

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This Back-To-School Season, Talk To Your Graduate About Money

The start of the school year is quickly approaching. If you have a child entering college or the workforce this fall, now is a great time to talk about money. Consider the tips below to guide the conversation:

Help your child establish a budget for the next phase of life. A new phase of life often brings a new set of expenses. Begin by exploring the new costs your child may incur and offer to sit down and help them create a budget. For high school graduates, new expenses can include tuition for college, textbooks, housing, food and discretionary spending. Online estimators can be useful tools to discern how to allocate funds by category. If you typically covered your child's expenses throughout high school, educate them on what a typical grocery bill or trip to the movies can cost. This will help them gain perspective on their expenses going forward.

Set financial expectations. As your child grows toward financial independence, it is beneficial to have a conversation with them about what help they can expect from you, if any, and what costs they are responsible for.

- If your child is headed to college or trade school, discuss how tuition will be paid for and whether you'll cover any associated room and board expenses, technology fees, travel to return home, etc. Can your child rely on scholarships or help from a 529 plan? Will they need to pick up a job? To help answer these questions, encourage your child to fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). All students can apply regardless of their family's financial status. The FAFSA process will let your child know what federal financial aid may be available to them. If loans need to be taken out by you, your child or both for school, review the terms, including interest rates and payback schedule.

- If your child is headed directly into the workforce, discuss how to approach paying for rent, commuting to work, and other common expenses. Determine if your child can look to you for help in their first few months of expenses as they get on their feet. Discuss what bringing home a post-tax paycheck looks like and advise on saving and spending income.

Consider alternate ways to help your kids. While it's natural to want to support your child as much as you can, it's important to think about how to thoughtfully transition the financial responsibility to their shoulders over time. As a starting point, consider the difference between funding a key milestone – such as college tuition or a car that's necessary for their employment – and funding ongoing daily lifestyle expenses or wishes, like concert tickets or meals out. Some parents desire to cover all expenses while a child is in college so they can focus on their education. If you share this viewpoint, set any boundaries and decide an end date of when they will be fully responsible for their own expenses – perhaps at graduation or when they land a full-time job. Additionally, when a large expense arises like a new car or graduate school, consider co-signing a loan instead of writing a check. This approach can help them lock in a lower-interest rate or more favorable repayment terms, while encouraging some financial independence.

Set boundaries for future milestones. Once expectations are established for the financial responsibilities in your child's next phase of life, have a conversation with your spouse or partner about how you'll handle future milestones, such as a wedding or home purchase. Giving money to adult children can be a sensitive subject, and it's an important one to be on the same page about. If you and your partner have work to do to align your viewpoints you're not alone: recent research from my firm, Ameriprise Financial, found that 72% of couples support adult family members financially – yet 14% of couples disagree on how much financial support to give. Have open dialogue about how much monetary support is important to you to provide and consider putting a financial plan in place to guide future decisions. The back-to-school season is a great time to consider what financial preparedness looks like in the next phase of your child's life. Know that your financial advisor is there to help you establish your financial strategy and comfort level with helping your children financially while staying on track to meet your biggest goals.

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Project DAWN of Trumbull County Deaths Avoided with Naloxone

By Tammie Krafft

The Trumbull County Combined Health District is announcing a training program for the family and friends of opioid users who are at risk of death from opioid overdose. Common opioids that are used are Fentanyl, Heroin, OxyContin, Methadone, Percocet and Vicodin. They will teach you how to recognize an overdose, how to respond to it and how to administer intranasal Naloxone to reverse an opioid overdose.

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Depending on the specific situation there are a few options for health insurance if you retire or otherwise lose employer coverage. Employer plans can be continued through COBRA. This is an offer to continue the employer coverage with the former employee paying the full premium.

Another option is the healthcare marketplace or exchange that was created through the Affordable Care Act. These plans are commonly referred to as Obamacare Insurance Plans. Insurance companies that offer these plans are required to follow guidelines set by the government. They are "guaranteed issue" and "guaranteed renewable" to anyone that applies during the Open Enrollment Period that runs November 1 - December 15 each year. There are also Special Enrollment Periods available to anyone who experiences specific changes in their personal circumstances throughout the year, such as losing employer coverage.

While rates, deductibles, out of pocket costs and benefits are set by the insurance company and vary from plan to plan as well as company to company, there is no underwriting, and you cannot be denied coverage or charged a higher premium for a pre-existing condition. The only factors that are allowed to be considered to determine the premium are county of residence, age, gender, and tobacco use. These plans are specific to geographical area. They are not a good option if you are eligible for Medicare, Medicaid or other State Assistance programs or if you have an offer of employer insurance. There can be income tax consequences if you enroll in a marketplace plan and are later found to be eligible for other coverage.

ACA Marketplace plans are categorized into different levels of coverage Bronze, Silver, Gold, and Platinum. For the most part, bronze plans will have higher deductibles and out-of-pocket costs with a lower premium while the platinum plans will have lower deductible and out-of-pocket costs but a higher premium. The silver and gold plans fall in between. There are also "Catastrophe" plans, however they are only available to someone under age 30 or individuals 30 and over who qualify for a hardship or affordability exemption.

Part of the ACA legislation provided for a Premium Tax Credit to

help individuals pay for a portion of the premium cost. This credit is based on your annual household income as filed on your income tax return at the end of the year. It is important to estimate income as closely as possible to avoid having to repay part of the credit. For example: marketplace plans that start in 2024, will have premium tax credits based on the income you estimate you will make in 2024. When you file your 2024 tax return in 2025 there will be a form that will need to be completed showing the cost of the insurance and the credit towards that premium throughout the year.

You will receive form 1095-A showing the information needed to complete the tax return. If income is underestimated, you will be responsible for returning a portion of the premium credit as part of your tax return and possibly subject to a penalty depending on the amount of the difference. Likewise, if income is overestimated and you should have received more of a credit towards your premium those funds will be credited to you on the tax return. Information on these plans can be found at healthcare.gov or through a local insurance agent that is familiar with these types of plans and has completed the training required to assist with the enrollment process.

Short-term plans are another option that is available. These plans are typically available for up to 364 days at a time. They can usually be cancelled at any time, therefore if you are looking for coverage to get through a short period of time until other coverage starts, these may be a good option. The premiums, deductibles, copays, and other out-of-pocket expenses will vary depending on the plan, the length of the policy, and the individual insurance company. Depending on the coverage you are looking for and your specific situation regarding income and health, they may have lower premiums. These plans are subject to underwriting and are not guaranteed to renew. They may or may not cover prescriptions and oftentimes do not cover preexisting conditions. At the end of the policy period a new application needs to be submitted and approved to continue coverage.

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Tiny Colorful Bears

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storefronts and in their beloved park settings. On that rare occasion that a cute little guy is discovered, one might decide to adopt on the spot!

"It's like finding a tiny treasure, whether you're a kid or kid at heart," says Council President Kevin Piros. "These personal connections can only add a more heartwarming touch to our Cortland bear craze."

Local businesses seem to be embracing the trend, perhaps considering it a "bear-y" good boost for business and community morale. And while the bears are not being placed inside any establishments or buildings, one lucky bear has made the leap indoors. Papa's Book Shoppe adopted a wee blue bear that was perched on their outdoor sign. It's now handing out bookmarks to store patrons - and perhaps cozying up with the classics.

Even the Cortland Police have acknowledged the city-wide bear invasion in their recent blotter, noting, "Several small teddy bears have been reported to be roaming about the City of Cortland. If you happen to observe said bears, proceed with caution as they are rumored to make children and some adults smile and giggle. Said bears are small in stature, are several different colors attempting to impersonate gummy bears (do not eat) and LOVE to shop."

Should you or someone you know encounter one of these guys, please note the location and obtain a photograph to share with others so everyone can smile."

We hope that this tiny bear hunt will continue to bring a sense of fun, camaraderie and community to Cortland. Yet even when it comes to an end, one thing's for sure - little bears can sure bring big smiles and leave a "pawsitive" impact on a small community.



Vaccine Drops

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against rabies. ONRAB has been safely distributed in parts of Ohio since 2012 as part of an ongoing field evaluation to assess the effectiveness of the ORV bait in raccoons and skunks. The vaccine baits have been proven safe in many species of animals, including domestic dogs and cats. Humans and pets cannot get rabies from contact with the baits. If found, leave the baits undisturbed. If a person has contact with a bait, immediately rinse the contact area with warm water and soap. Do not attempt to remove a bait from an animal's mouth, as you could be bitten. Ingesting the bait will not harm your pet. If your pet has eaten several baits, the pet may experience vomiting or diarrhea that is self-limiting.

Rabies is caused by a virus that infects the central nervous system in mammals and represents a serious public health concern. If exposures to the virus are not treated it is almost always fatal. Costs associated with detection, prevention and control of rabies may exceed \$500 million annually in the U.S. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, about 90 percent of reported rabies cases in the U.S. are in wildlife. People are urged not to make contact with or feed wildlife and to keep pet rabies vaccinations current.



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National School Lunch Program

By Laura DePizzo

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Lead, Excel, Inspire: Music! is a youth leadership organization that Mariah founded for her Girl Scout Gold Award. She created a social emotional learning curriculum that pairs with music programs. This curriculum is K-12 friendly and is rated a 4.4/5 on student satisfaction.

Jane Christyson, GSNEO CEO, calls it a "Symphony for the soul!"

Mariah is always looking for more ways to spread her love of teaching and music to the community and is open to expanding her curriculum to other schools. If you would like to implement her program reach out on Facebook or by email at lead.excel.inspire.music@gmail.com.

Congrats on your Gold Award Girl Scout! May your fond memories and accomplishments as a Girl Scout follow you through the next chapter of your life.



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Pawsitivity - Adoption Saves Lives!

Hello Cortland & Bazetta, what better time to consider adopting a pet than the time of year when rescues and shelters are the most packed? If you've been considering adding a furry friend to your family, you have plenty of options. Adopting a pet from a rescue or shelter is not only heartwarming, but also saves lives.

By adopting a pet rather than buying from a breeder or pet store, you help reduce overpopulation. Every year, millions of animals end up in shelters due to circumstances beyond their control. By choosing to adopt, you're helping to alleviate the overcrowding issue and making room for other animals in need.

Shelters are filled with pets looking for a second chance. Many of them have been through tough times, whether they've been abandoned, lost, or surrendered. Adopting a pet from a shelter means giving them a new lease on life, and these pets often know that you're rescuing them. It's an incredible feeling to bring home an animal that's had a rough life and give them the love and pampering they deserve!

Getting Started - If you're tech-savvy, you can find your "purrfect" companion online. Sites such as Petfinder, Adopt-a-Pet, and PetSmart have tons of listings for pets looking for

their forever family. These sites allow you to filter pets by certain qualities, making it a convenient way to find your match.

If you're not a fan of technology, call or visit your local rescues or shelters. Explain what type of animal you're looking for and be as specific as you can about your preferences. Even if that rescue doesn't have the pet you're looking for, they may be able to connect you with another organization that does!

Remember that you will likely be asked to provide some information to the rescue. Be patient - this information helps the rescue decide whether or not you're a fit for adopting a specific pet. Also, expect to pay an adoption fee, which will help the organization offset some of the costs that they spent vetting the animal, as well as housing them, so they can help more animals.

So, the next time you're considering adding a pet to your family, think about adopting from a rescue. You'll be making a positive impact on the overpopulation crisis and giving an animal a second chance. Thank you for considering adoption and being a hero to a pet in need!

Email questions, feedback, or suggestions for future topics to Hello.Pawsitivity@gmail.com.

Volunteers Needed For "Back2school" Bed Delivery Day!

Please join Sleep in Heavenly Peace Trumbull Co as we deliver our handmade wooden bed frames to local children in need. We will be delivering them Saturday 8-24-24 at 10 a.m. We will meet at the storage garage to load up materials and then head out for deliveries. 2541 Larchmont Ave, Warren. We also provide a brand-new mattress, pillow, sheets, comforter and a cozy blanket! No experience or tools necessary, just bring yourself and a friend!

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SCOPE Recognized For Technology Work

By Mike Wilson

SCOPE (Senior Citizens Opportunity for Personal Endeavors) was announced as a national award winner from the National Council on Aging (NCOA)'s, National Institute of Senior Centers (NISC) Program of Excellence Awards.

SCOPE is proud to be a nationally accredited senior service organization and was recognized as one of the top two senior centers in the nation for technology training for 2023. SCOPE's IT Director Kevin Weber offers one on one training as well as group events for our senior population. He also repairs computers and deals with viruses, all at no charge to the senior. To contact Kevin to set up an individualized appointment call 330-399-8846.

We at SCOPE are so proud to be recognized and honor all our incredible staff and volunteers doing the work each day with the clients we serve. Older adults deserve much more than just a place to occupy their time, which is why we offer a range of resources and

activities at several community centers. There are fitness classes, educational sessions, sports & recreation, as well as socialization programs. SCOPE also provides individualized supportive services such as Medicare, Medicaid, prescription savings programs, Social Security assistance, technology training support, free tax preparation, notary services, utility discounts, free grocery deliveries, employment, financial, legal, and veteran assistance. SCOPE is mostly funded by the Trumbull County Senior Levy and would cease to exist without that financial support.

SCOPE also conducts a SOS (Support Our Seniors) program which consists of telephone and at home checks ins. Plus personal representation whenever a senior is receiving bids for remodeling work and meeting with contractors. We are one of only two nationally accredited senior centers, which means we follow guidelines for working with older adults.

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Food Truck Nights

The City has announced that Food Truck Nights will be held on the 4th Thursday every month. The next one is September 26. The lone exception is Saturday, October 26 when it will be combined with Trunk or Treat for Halloween. The events are on West Main St. from 5 - 8 PM. The trucks and possible entertainment may vary each time.



Women's Equality Day Celebration Planned

By Peggy Boyd

A Women's Equality Day Celebration will be held on Monday, August 26 at 11:30 a.m. at the Women's Park located on Mahoning Avenue in Warren. This milestone event will mark 104 years since the signing of the 19th Amendment that gave women the right to vote. Open and free to the public, with the theme, "Women in Medicine"; the committee is choosing a local woman doctor who is a general practitioner in the Health Care World. The committee is inviting all generations of health care providers to come and listen to the struggles women have had to overcome in the field of medicine.

The event will include light refreshments at the Harriet Taylor Upton House. A tour of the home will be available during the time of the celebration. Musical entertainment will be provided by Bonnie Hood and Martha Yoder. The League of Women Voters of Trumbull County will be on site to help with questions on how to register to vote in this year's election.

There is also a window display at the entrance at the Warren Public Library

showcasing the history of this day and the women's suffrage movement. Sponsors for the event are Harriett Taylor Upton Association, Trumbull County League of Women Voters, Warren Civic League, GFWC Warren Junior Women's League, Warren City Federation of Women's Clubs and Women's History Committee.



Front: Sue Smith, Danita Davis, Kim Welch, Esther Gartland
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Warren Women's Club News

By Peggy Boyd

The Warren Women's Club held their new officer's installation at their club house located at 708 North Park Avenue in Warren. The ceremony was given by the GFWC Ohio State President, Esther Gartland. Helping to install the new officers was the outgoing Warren Women's Club President, Peggy Boyd.

The Warren Women's Club was formed in 1947 to foster the welfare of women's organizations working to

purchase a club house to be a permanent home for the club. On January 4, 1976 the yellow house on North Park Avenue had a mortgage burning ceremony and opened the house marking a major milestone in the club's history.

Information on membership in the club can be obtained by contacting membership chairman, Louise Kline at 330-399-4661 or the club house manager at 330-518-6927.



Front: Peggy Boyd, Carol Stowe, Linda Donley, Ruth Ann Capito, Esther Gartland.
Back: Harriett Storer, Sandy Mahaffey, and Michele Kubicina.

Concert On The Lawn At Bristol Public Library

The Bristol Public Library presents the band, Take II, on Sunday, August 18th at 4:00 p.m. Bob "Doc" Walton and Ellie Kovell will perform music ranging from the 60's to well into the 2000's, with a repertoire of over 1600 songs! Bring a blanket or lawn chair and join us on the back lawn of the library for this free performance.

Parking for this event is available across the street at the park. The concert will take place rain or shine and is sponsored by The Friends of the Library.

The Bristol Public library is located at 1855 Greenville Road in Bristolville. For more information contact the circulation desk at 330-889-3651.



Cortland Library Events ~ August 2024

Bookmobile Beach Bash

At the Mosquito Lake State Park Beach, 1439 State Route 305, Cortland. Mon., Aug. 12 from 4 - 5 p.m. (Bookmobile open 3 - 5:30 p.m.). Children and families can enjoy an educational presentation (with live animals!) by an Ohio Department of Natural Resources naturalist and a related story time by a librarian at the Bookmobile at this special event. The program will be from 4 - 5 p.m., while the Bookmobile will be open from 3 - 5:30 p.m. Free.

Only Murders in the Library

Mon., Aug. 12 from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. At the Cortland Library. This discussion group will focus on one true crime topic each month, with the topic being selected from group members' suggestions. The group will use and share resources such as books, articles, and podcasts.

Concert @ the Cortland Library:

The Berrys. Wed., Aug. 14 from 6 - 7 p.m. At the Cortland Library. The Berrys are a folk-rock band from Youngstown, living part time in Nashville, TN. Fronted by husband

and wife singer songwriters Rob and Adrienne Berry, their new but nostalgic sound is inspired by legendary artists like Fleetwood Mac and Chris Stapleton. Free.

Storybook Trail & Imagination Station Bookmobile Program

Mon., Aug. 26 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. (Bookmobile open 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.)

At Storybook Trail & Imagination Station, 3372 Warren Meadville Rd., Cortland. Children and families can enjoy an educational presentation (with live animals!) by an Ohio Department of Natural Resources naturalist and a related story time by a librarian at the Bookmobile at this special event. The program will be from 11 a.m. - 12 p.m., while the Bookmobile will be open from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Free.

D&D Adventurer's Guild

Wed., Aug. 28 from 3 - 4 p.m. At the Cortland Library. Teens entering grades 7 - 12 can become a member of a traveling adventurer's guild and fight a monster of the week. Participants will get a small notebook to track their future adventures in. Registration is required by Aug. 21. Free.

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